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Riverside
Maidenhead
26 June 1881

My dear Sir

I have only just returned
from my annual visit to some near
relations in Kent

I am glad to see your
improved hand writing (legally) mine
is much deteriorated by age, 92½

Write when you please &
I will answer when I can, and if I
can: if I do not, it shall be no fault
of yours Very sincerely

J. Payne Collier

Not one of my visited friends
has the slightest post^t turn, I
am sorry to say: they tolerate
but do not understand and
admire

Poetry & Law do not well agree:
if you have 'drifted out of Poetry into Law,
I drifted out of Law into Poetry, but this was
some 80 years ago

Albany
26 June 1881

My dear Sir

I have only just returned
from my annual visit to the
colony in Kent
I am glad to hear you
are well and writing (by all means)
is much better than it was

Write when you please
I will answer when I can and if I
can: if I do not, it shall be no fault
of yours very sincerely
J. Edgar Collier

Not one of my visits find
for the right part of
a ring to ring: they are
but the same and only
the same

Very truly yours
J. Edgar Collier
P.S. I have not yet
received your letter of 20th but I am
glad to hear you are well